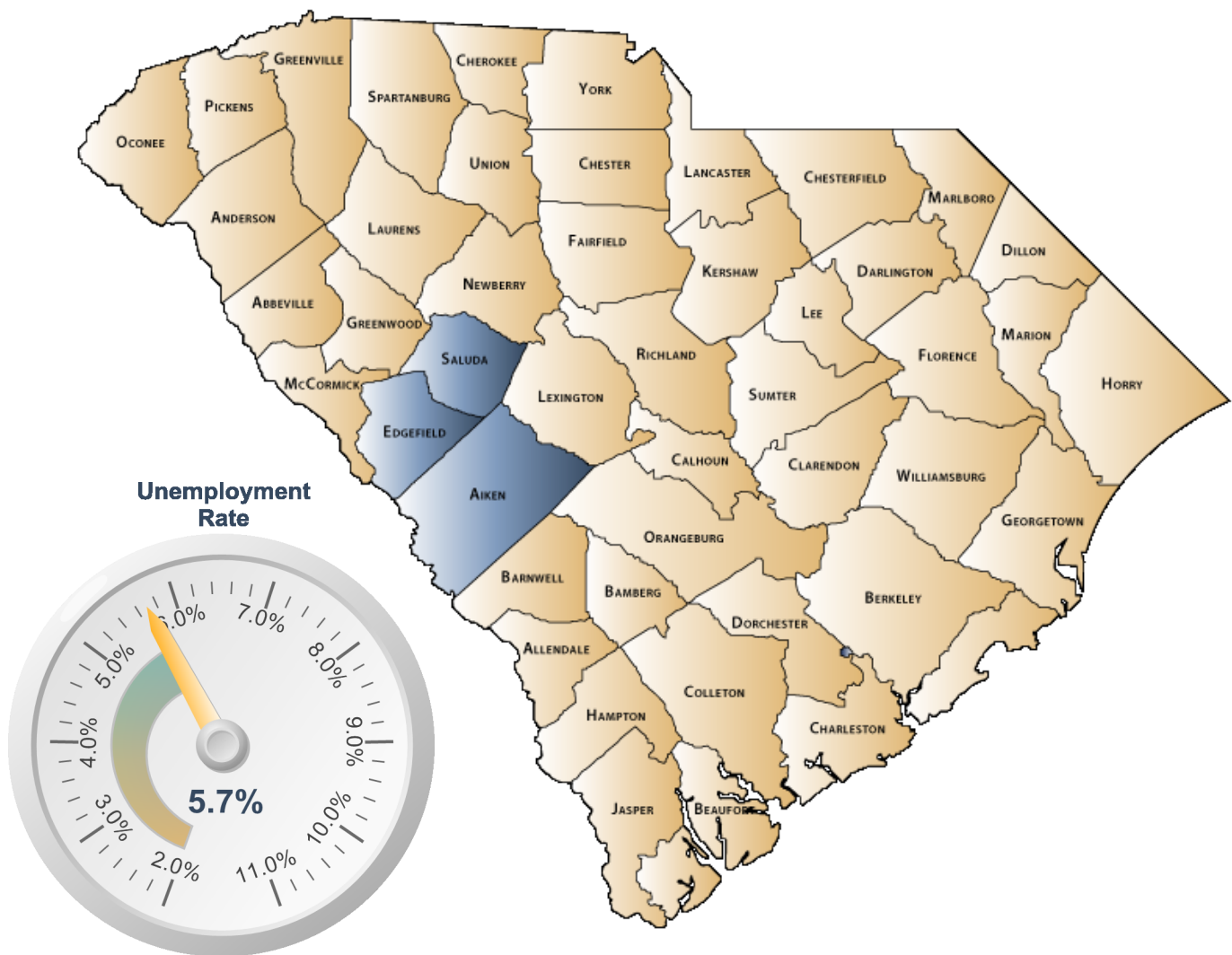


ECONOMIC PROFILE

Economic Development Partnership



S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce
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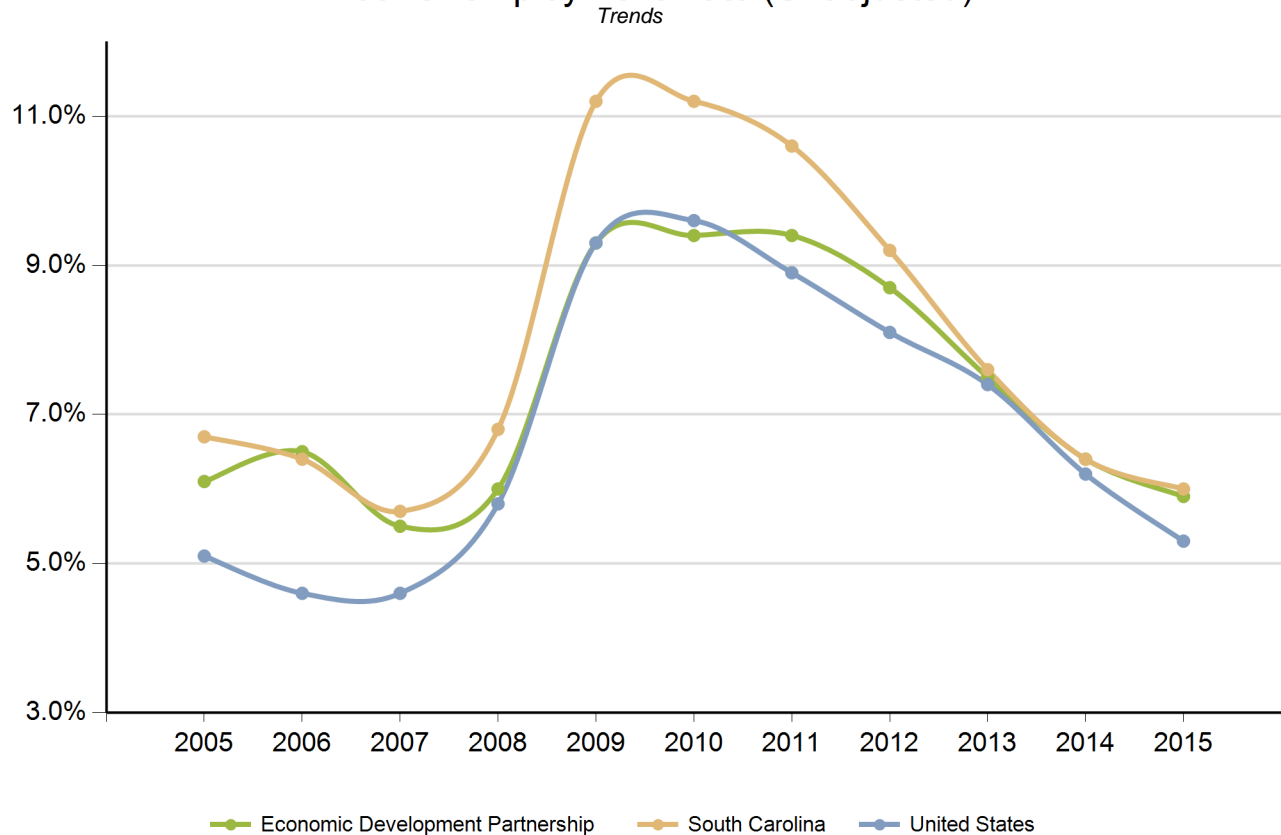
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Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

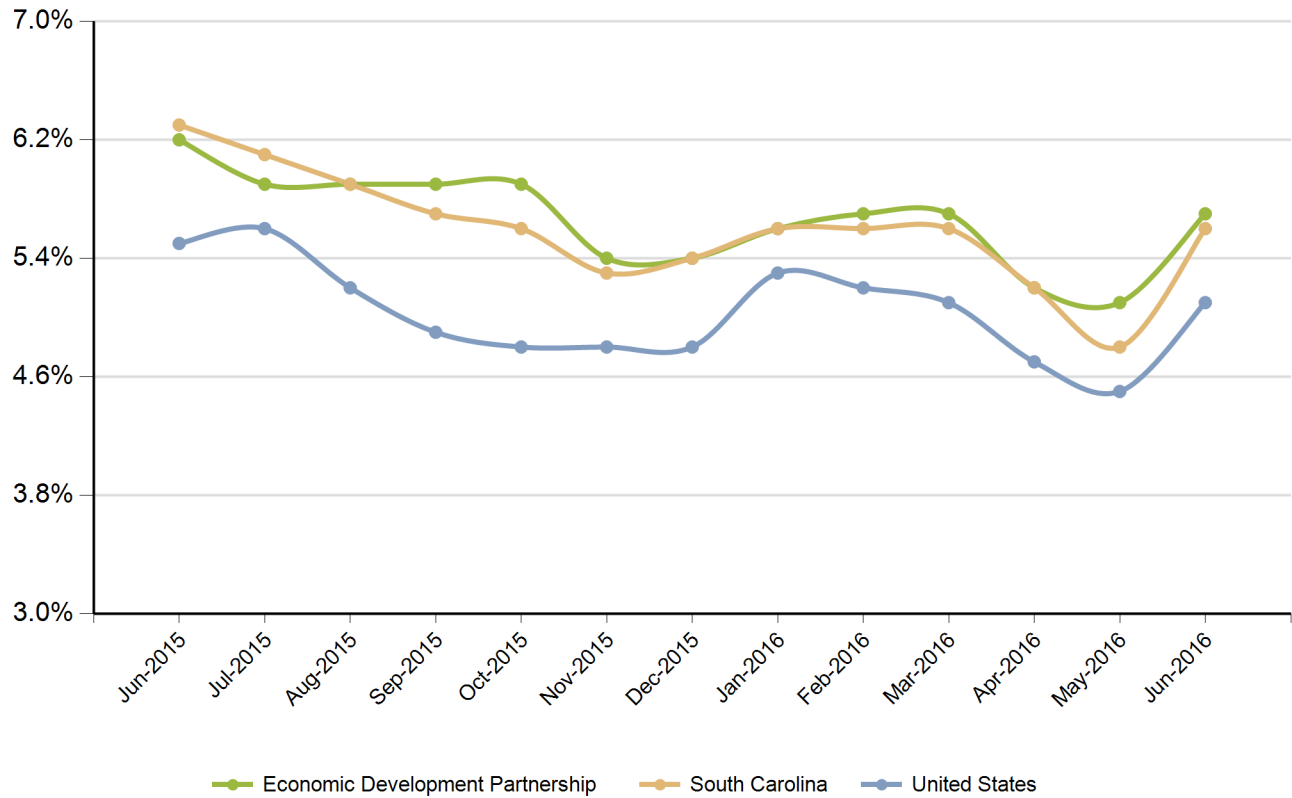


Year	Economic Development Partnership			South Carolina			United States		
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate
2005	88,928	5,780	6.1%	1,929,233	139,366	6.7%	141,730,000	7,591,000	5.1%
2006	89,339	6,249	6.5%	1,973,337	135,760	6.4%	144,427,000	7,001,000	4.6%
2007	89,484	5,179	5.5%	2,005,686	120,205	5.7%	146,047,000	7,078,000	4.6%
2008	89,108	5,652	6.0%	1,996,409	145,823	6.8%	145,362,000	8,924,000	5.8%
2009	87,713	9,041	9.3%	1,910,670	242,075	11.2%	139,877,000	14,265,000	9.3%
2010	83,347	8,693	9.4%	1,915,045	240,623	11.2%	139,064,000	14,825,000	9.6%
2011	84,162	8,729	9.4%	1,945,900	229,623	10.6%	139,869,000	13,747,000	8.9%
2012	84,098	7,979	8.7%	1,983,506	200,607	9.2%	142,469,000	12,506,000	8.1%
2013	84,772	6,898	7.5%	2,022,444	166,924	7.6%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%
2014	86,020	5,893	6.4%	2,074,277	142,505	6.4%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2015	87,628	5,496	5.9%	2,122,573	134,504	6.0%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

Monthly Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Past 13 Months



Period	Economic Development Partnership	South Carolina	United States
Jun-2015	6.2%	6.3%	5.5%
Jul-2015	5.9%	6.1%	5.6%
Aug-2015	5.9%	5.9%	5.2%
Sep-2015	5.9%	5.7%	4.9%
Oct-2015	5.9%	5.6%	4.8%
Nov-2015	5.4%	5.3%	4.8%
Dec-2015	5.4%	5.4%	4.8%
Jan-2016	5.6%	5.6%	5.3%
Feb-2016	5.7%	5.6%	5.2%
Mar-2016	5.7%	5.6%	5.1%
Apr-2016	5.2%	5.2%	4.7%
May-2016	5.1%	4.8%	4.5%
Jun-2016	5.7%	5.6%	5.1%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

Area Job Openings

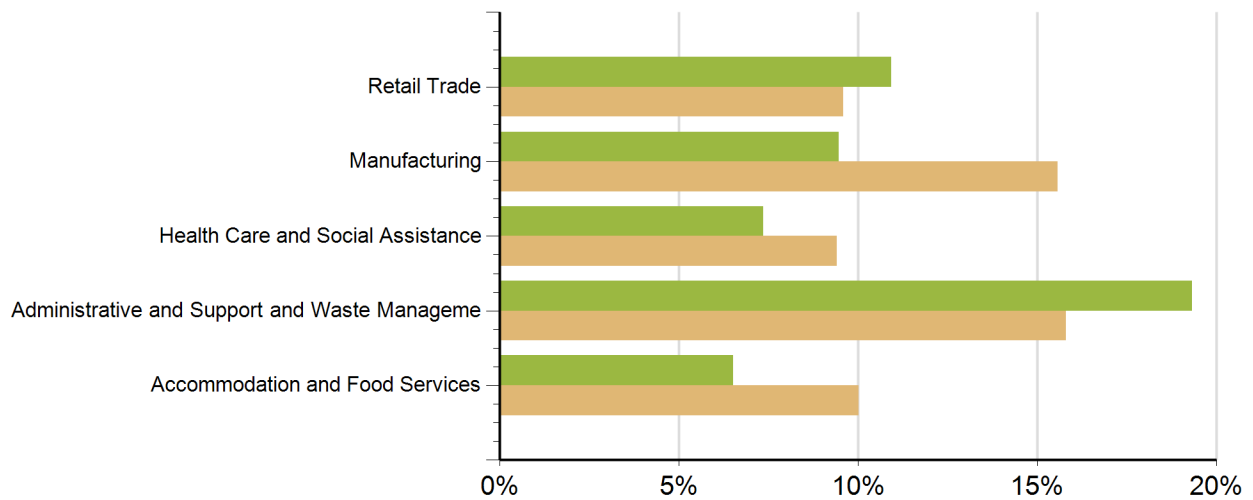
Period	Economic Development Partnership				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate	Job Openings
Jun-2015	88,299	5,832	6.2%	1,367	2,117,636	132,841	5.9%	73,702
Jul-2015	88,336	5,546	5.9%	1,376	2,122,043	129,098	5.7%	73,050
Aug-2015	88,147	5,486	5.9%	1,349	2,126,323	126,465	5.6%	71,760
Sep-2015	87,675	5,505	5.9%	1,387	2,130,209	125,030	5.5%	71,372
Oct-2015	87,645	5,495	5.9%	1,440	2,133,670	124,395	5.5%	71,138
Nov-2015	86,869	4,998	5.4%	1,444	2,136,651	124,159	5.5%	73,219
Dec-2015	87,027	4,988	5.4%	1,344	2,138,997	124,433	5.5%	60,418
Jan-2016	87,836	5,257	5.6%	1,479	2,150,533	124,506	5.5%	56,427
Feb-2016	87,868	5,285	5.7%	1,481	2,162,709	125,494	5.5%	64,238
Mar-2016	88,657	5,310	5.7%	1,400	2,174,655	131,324	5.7%	61,889
Apr-2016	90,039	4,965	5.2%	1,392	2,181,794	134,295	5.8%	67,021
May-2016	89,374	4,771	5.1%	1,350	2,185,072	129,861	5.6%	63,126
Jun-2016	90,002	5,414	5.7%	1,576	2,185,181	125,591	5.4%	61,518

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce, The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® Data Series
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Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Industry

Industry Groups with Largest Number of Claims

June-2016



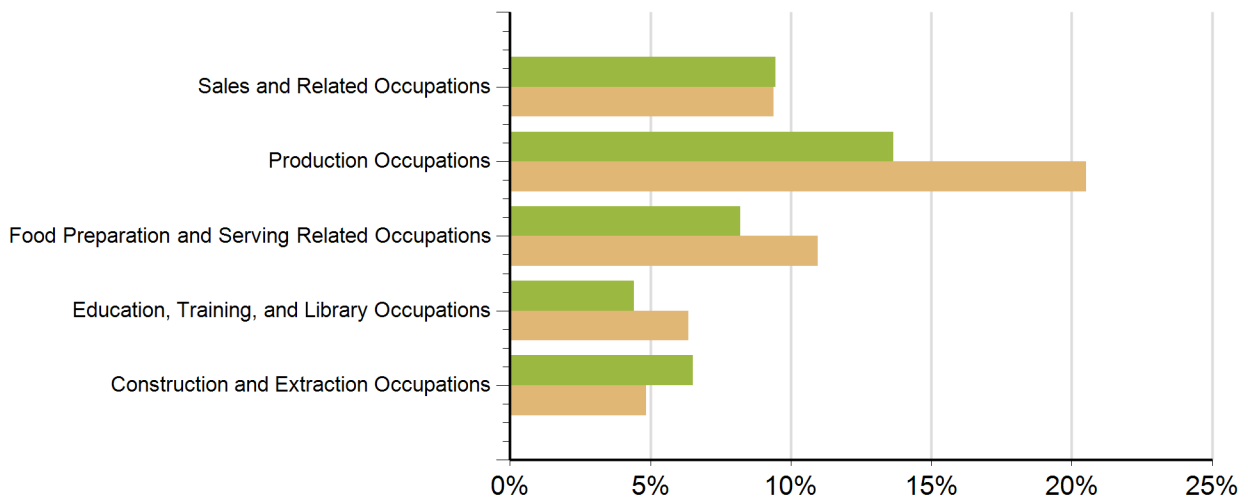
Industry	Economic Development Partnership	South Carolina
Utilities	1	13
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Servi	14	471
Administrative and Support and Waste Manageme	92	1,795
Other Services (except Public Administration)	16	386
Unknown	117	1,123
Manufacturing	45	1,769
Retail Trade	52	1,089
Finance and Insurance	2	181
Transportation and Warehousing	8	450
Wholesale Trade	7	347
Health Care and Social Assistance	35	1,069
Information	1	104
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	3	149
Educational Services	16	406
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	1	52
Construction	25	457
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	6	96
Accommodation and Food Services	31	1,138
Public Administration	4	190

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Occupation

Occupation Groups with Largest Number of Claims

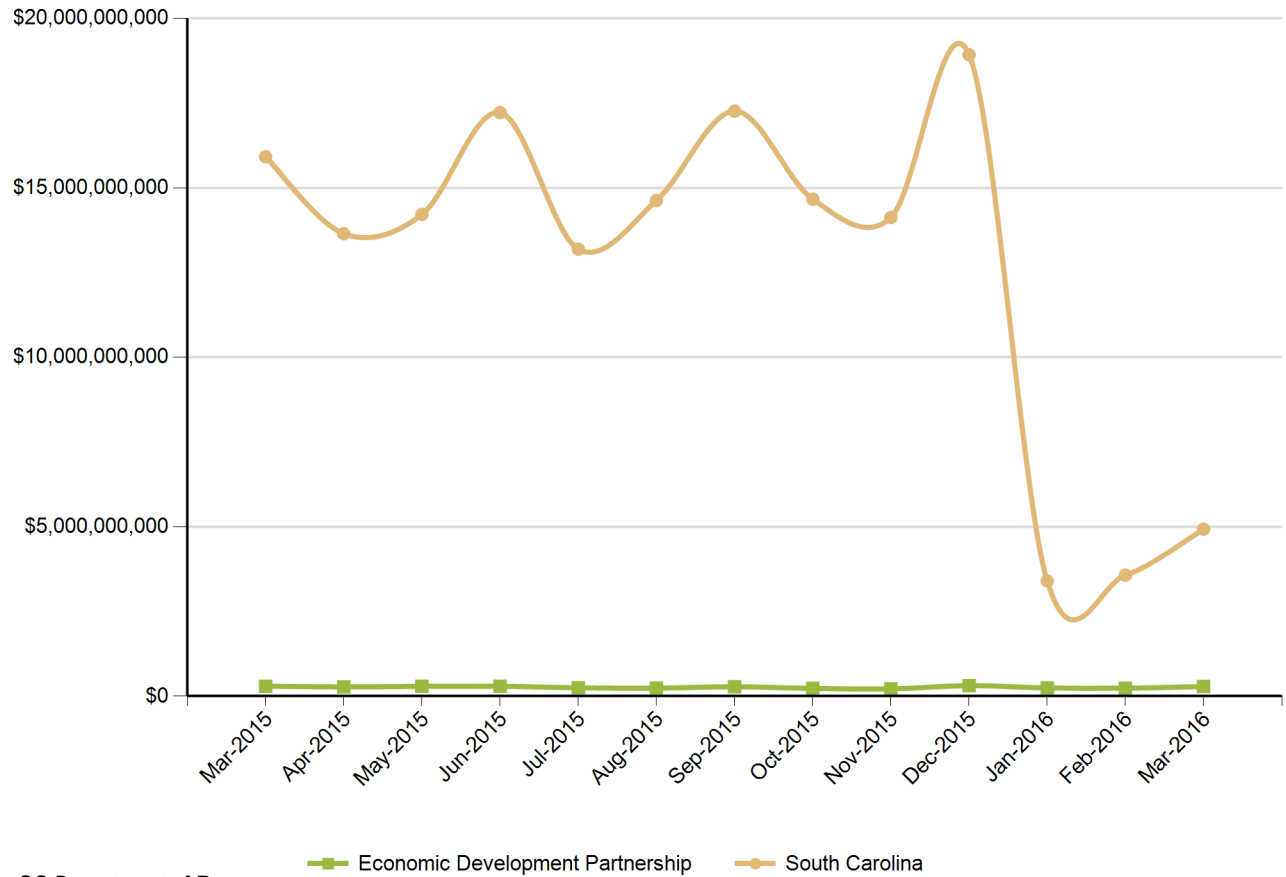
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Occupation	Economic Development Partnership	South Carolina
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	3	157
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occ	1	67
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occu	18	480
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	9	352
Community and Social Service Occupations	3	117
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	6	165
Construction and Extraction Occupations	31	551
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	21	723
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	5	47
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	39	1,245
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	6	174
Healthcare Support Occupations	13	402
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	7	302
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	1	20
Management Occupations	19	588
Military Specific Occupations	3	48
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	19	710
Personal Care and Service Occupations	7	160
Production Occupations	65	2,330
Protective Service Occupations	2	123
Sales and Related Occupations	45	1,067
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	21	519
Unknown	132	960

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

Retail Sales



Source: SC Department of Revenue

Population by Age



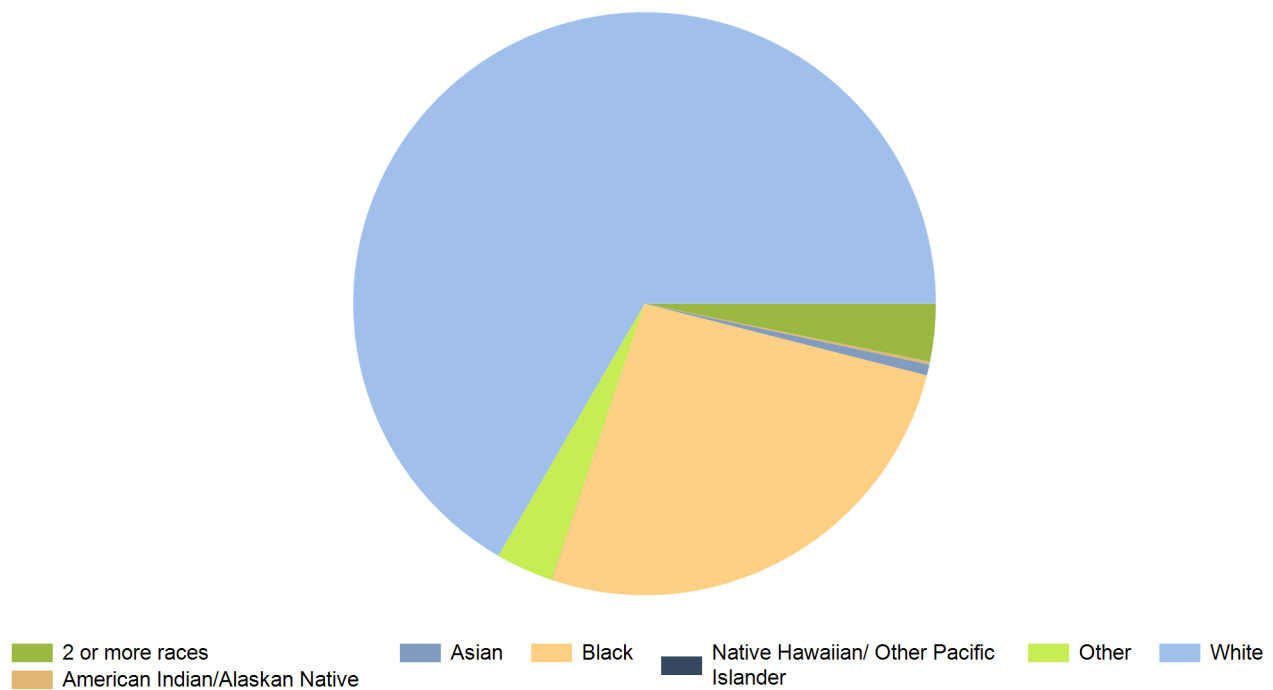
Age Range	Economic Development Partnership	South Carolina	United States
0-4	12,546	298,242	20,052,112
5-9	12,986	302,111	20,409,060
10-14	13,225	297,443	20,672,609
15-19	13,541	321,540	21,715,074
20-24	12,908	342,237	22,099,887
25-29	13,063	305,167	21,243,365
30-34	12,542	293,464	20,467,912
35-39	12,025	291,183	19,876,161
40-44	13,596	308,158	20,998,001
45-49	14,691	325,660	22,109,946
50-54	15,785	329,431	22,396,322
55-59	14,925	309,061	20,165,892
60-64	13,703	289,690	17,479,211
65-69	10,816	229,251	13,189,508
70-74	8,349	165,797	9,767,522
75-79	5,746	117,187	7,438,750
80-84	4,427	82,223	5,781,697
85 and older	3,429	71,757	5,673,565

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey

Population by Race

Race	Economic Development Partnership	%	South Carolina	%	United States	%
White	141,039	66.6%	3,144,146	66.0%	230,592,579	72.0%
Black	55,469	26.2%	1,298,534	27.3%	39,167,010	12.2%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	344	0.2%	14,732	0.3%	2,540,309	0.8%
Asian	1,286	0.6%	61,097	1.3%	15,231,962	4.8%
Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	21	0.0%	2,128	0.0%	526,347	0.2%
2 or more races	6,752	3.2%	169,670	3.6%	17,464,666	5.5%
Other	6,768	3.2%	74,130	1.6%	14,746,054	4.6%

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey



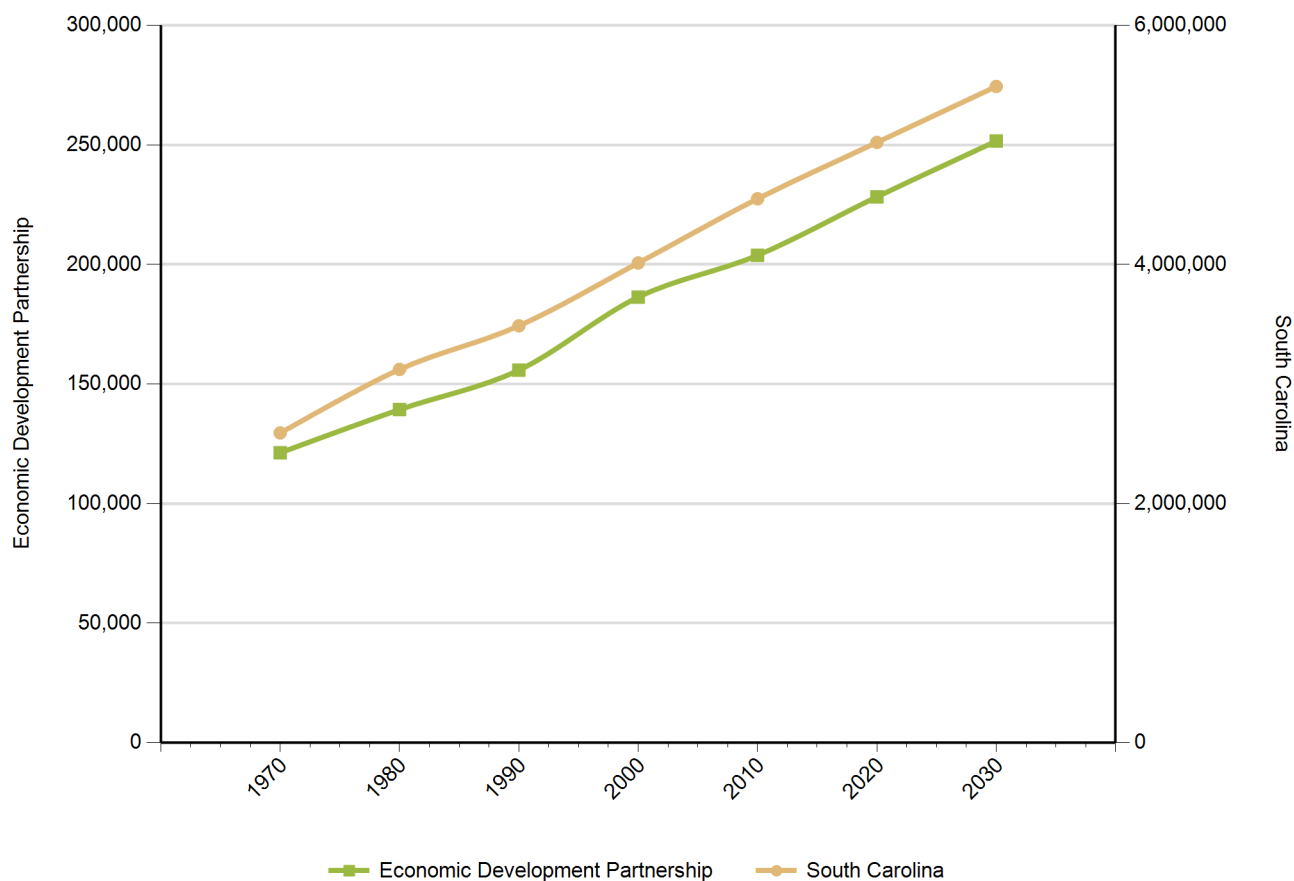
Population by Gender

Gender	Economic Development Partnership	South Carolina	United States
Female	105,404	2,403,297	158,289,182
Male	102,899	2,276,305	153,247,412

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey

Population Change

Historical and Projected



Year	Economic Development Partnership	South Carolina
1970	121,243	2,590,713
1980	139,299	3,121,820
1990	155,792	3,486,310
2000	186,328	4,012,012
2010	203,830	4,549,150
2020	228,250	5,020,400
2030	251,590	5,488,460

Source: US Census Bureau

Employers by Size of Establishment

Employees	Economic Development Partnership	South Carolina
0 to 4	1,882	73,899
5 to 9	679	19,834
10 to 19	472	14,291
20 to 49	316	10,837
50 to 99	120	4,356
100 to 249	74	2,703
250 to 499	19	817
500 to 999	7	373
1000 +	8	294

Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Economic Development Partnership	South Carolina
0 to 4	3,097	109,610
5 to 9	4,538	131,662
10 to 19	6,345	194,553
20 to 49	9,300	330,019
50 to 99	8,168	300,324
100 to 249	11,607	406,869
250 to 499	6,375	282,239
500 to 999	4,720	253,521
1000 +	19,878	754,506

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce - Q4 2015

20 Largestest Employers

(Listed Alphabetically)

Corporation Name

SAVANNAH RIVER NUCLEAR SOLUTIONS LL

AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

SAVANNAH RIVER REMEDIATION LLC

BRIDGESTONE AMERICAS TIRE OPERATION

AMICK FARMS LLC

CB&I PROJECT SERVICES GROUP LLC

WAL-MART ASSOCIATES INC

KIMBERLY CLARK CORPORATION

AIKEN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTERS INC

COUNTY OF AIKEN

EDWARD D. JONES ET AL.

UNIVERSITY OF SC

EDGEFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

CENTERRA GROUP LLC

AGY AIKEN LLC

AUSTIN MAINTENANCE & CONSTRUCTION I

UPS CUSTOMHOUSE BROKERAGE INC

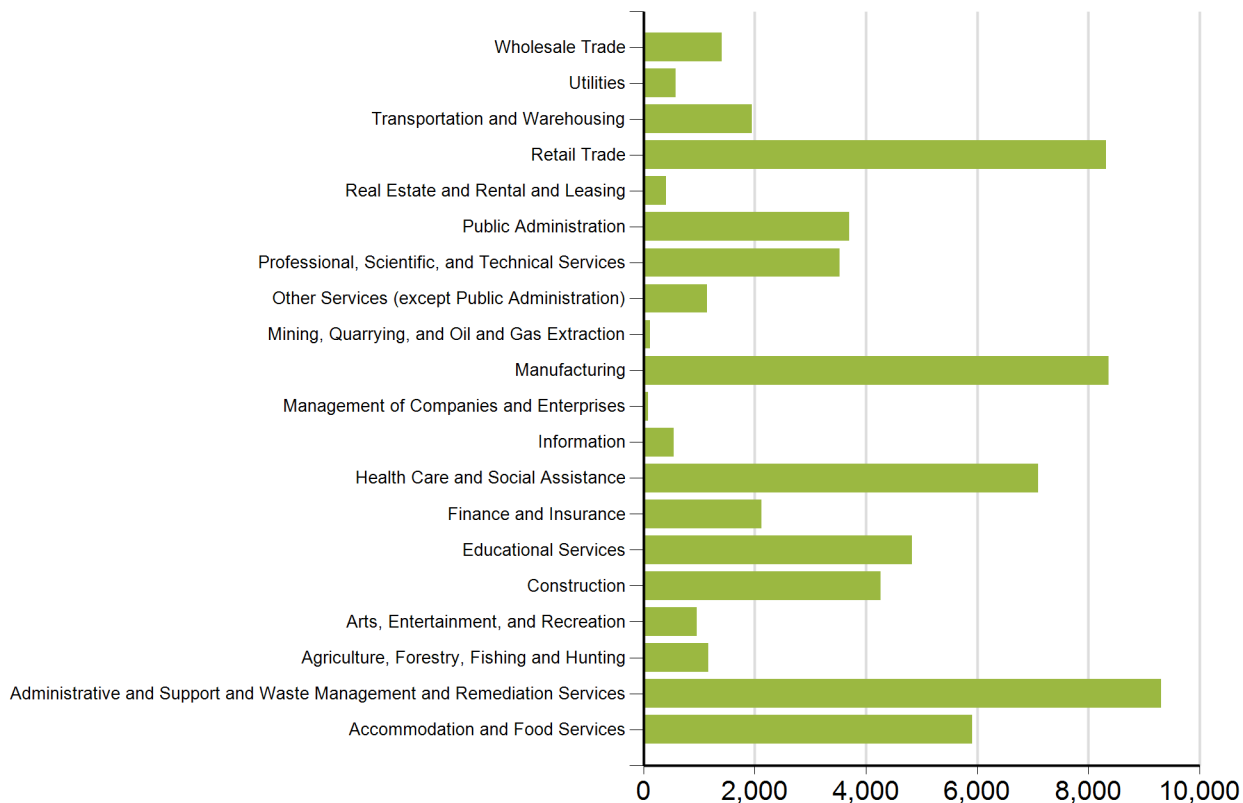
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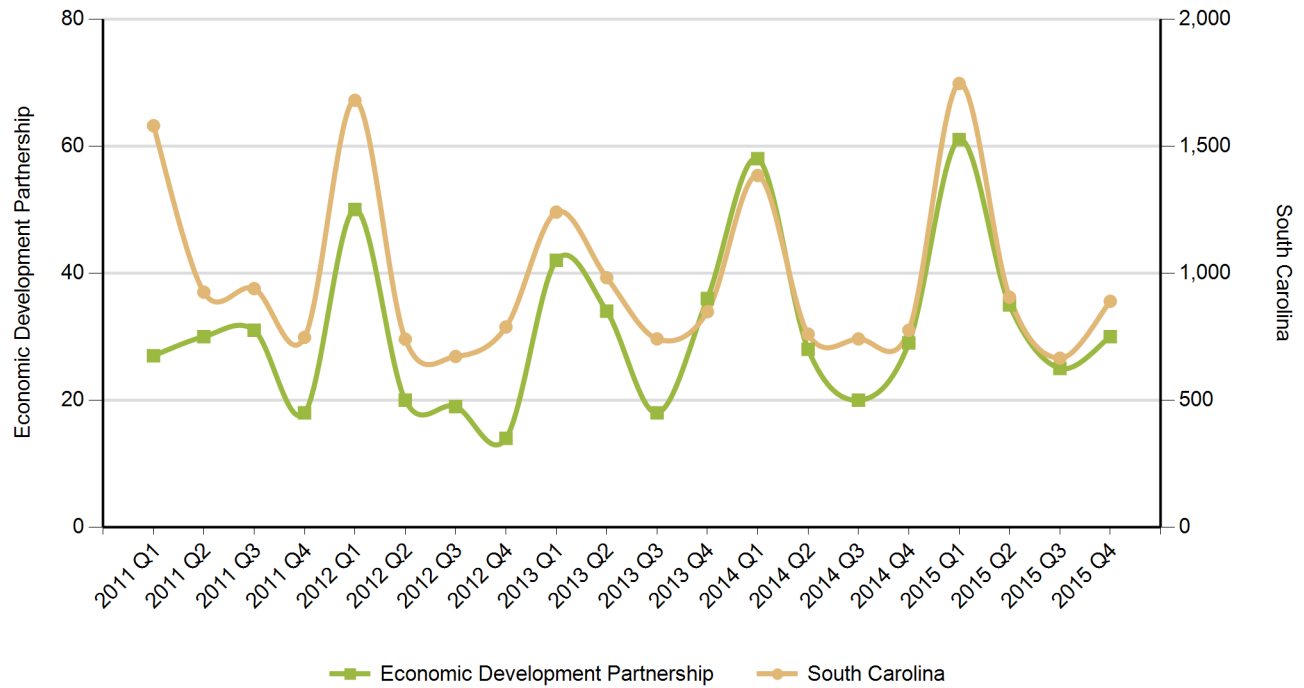
Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce - Q4 2015

Employment by Industry



Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce
Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - Q4 2015

New Startup Firms



Quarter	Economic Development Partnership	South Carolina
2015 Q4	30	889
2015 Q3	25	665
2015 Q2	35	905
2015 Q1	61	1,746
2014 Q4	29	775
2014 Q3	20	741
2014 Q2	28	760
2014 Q1	58	1,384
2013 Q4	36	848
2013 Q3	18	741
2013 Q2	34	982
2013 Q1	42	1,240
2012 Q4	14	788
2012 Q3	19	672
2012 Q2	20	740
2012 Q1	50	1,680
2011 Q4	18	747
2011 Q3	31	939
2011 Q2	30	925
2011 Q1	27	1,580

Note: A firm is included in the count when it does not have a UI Account Number in the previous quarter and has a Setup Date that falls in the quarter displayed.
Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

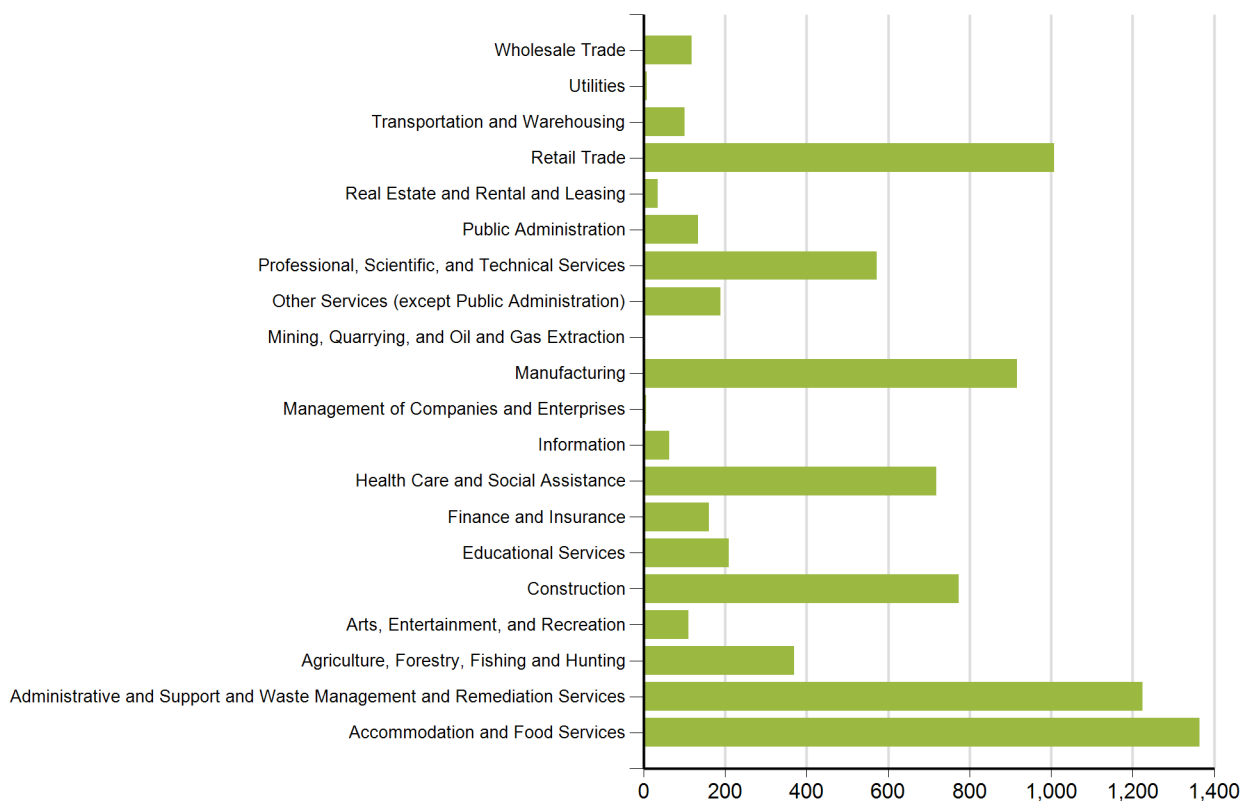
Top 20 Occupational Openings

April 2016

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Opening
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)	72
Industrial Engineers (17-2112)	69
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	64
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (35-1012)	44
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food (35-3021)	39
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	36
Electrical Engineers (17-2071)	32
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	31
Social and Human Service Assistants (21-1093)	26
Physical Therapists (29-1123)	24
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	22
Speech-Language Pathologists (29-1127)	22
Civil Engineers (17-2051)	20
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers (51-1011)	20
Vocational Education Teachers, Postsecondary (25-1194)	19
Business Operations Specialists, All Other (13-1199)	16
General and Operations Managers (11-1021)	16
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)	16
Mechanical Engineers (17-2141)	16
Physical Therapist Assistants (31-2021)	16

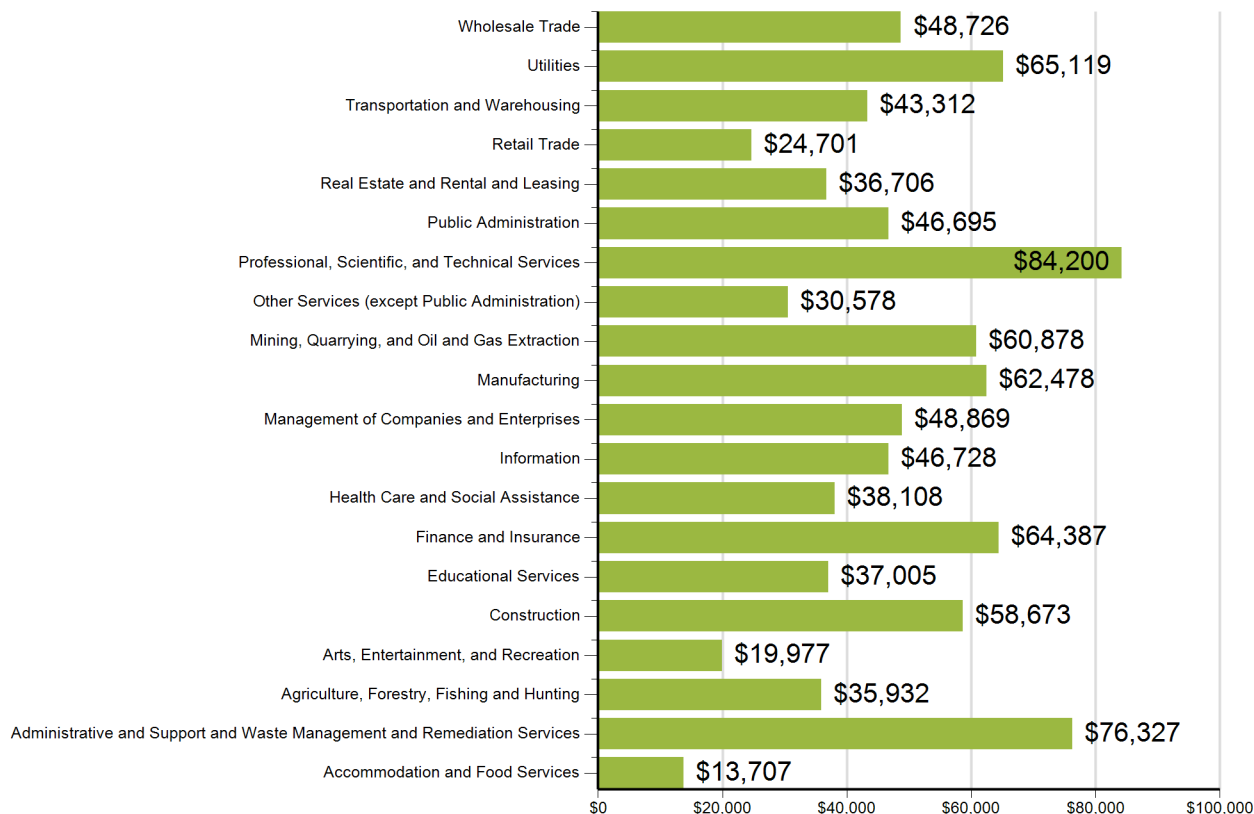
Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce and The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® Data Series

New Hires by Industry



US Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - Q1 2014

Average Annual Wage by Industry



Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce
 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - Q4
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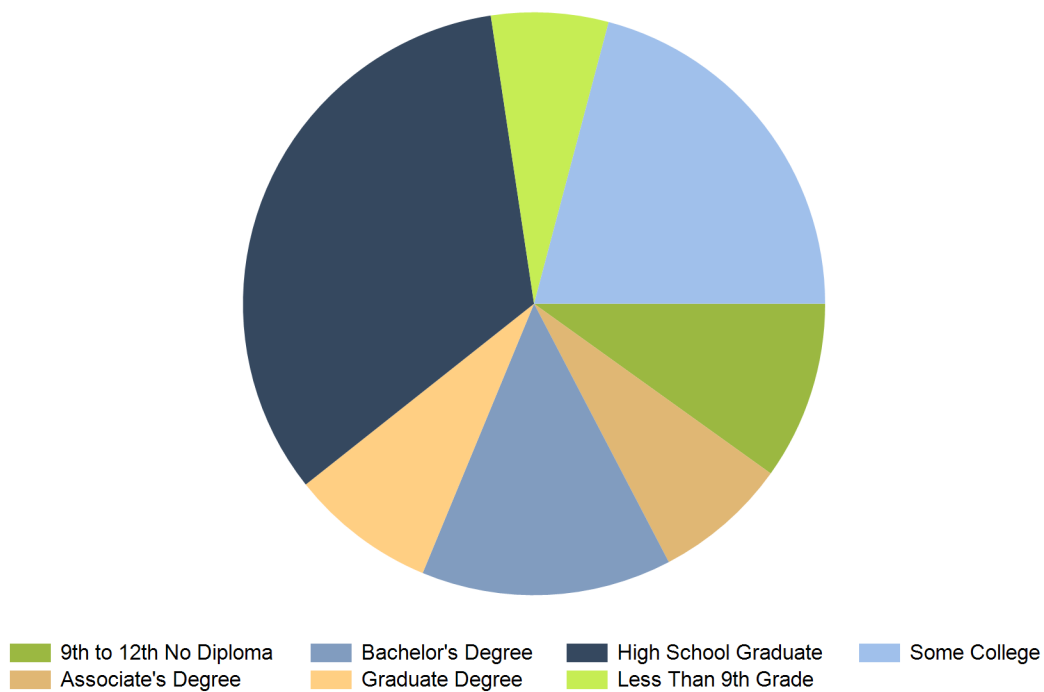
Age of Workers by Industry

Industry	14-18	19-21	22-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total, All Industries	955	2,723	3,915	13,499	13,360	16,025	12,168	3,118
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	11	34	69	243	216	240	169	91
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	0	0	15	25	34	36	3
Utilities	0	0	9	101	120	186	97	14
Construction	9	169	285	1,012	894	1,251	944	152
Manufacturing	24	207	429	1,995	2,625	2,731	1,759	241
Wholesale Trade	0	37	55	260	305	342	235	61
Retail Trade	242	709	742	1,608	1,229	1,326	934	411
Transportation and Warehousing	8	132	174	663	520	416	269	56
Information	4	17	45	164	112	111	79	33
Finance and Insurance	5	39	132	533	494	469	367	144
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	0	5	16	71	67	101	73	35
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	17	56	150	792	818	1,027	1,022	263
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3	4	4	24	27	34	24	10
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	18	178	295	1,032	1,116	2,875	2,564	342
Educational Services	15	22	163	1,060	1,380	1,637	1,236	356
Health Care and Social Assistance	26	128	379	1,566	1,581	1,511	1,161	382
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	30	92	92	176	148	152	116	81
Accommodation and Food Services	506	770	652	1,295	724	582	291	112
Other Services (except Public Administration)	15	73	93	315	305	302	256	133
Public Administration	3	36	114	570	648	692	524	193

Source: US Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - Q1 2014

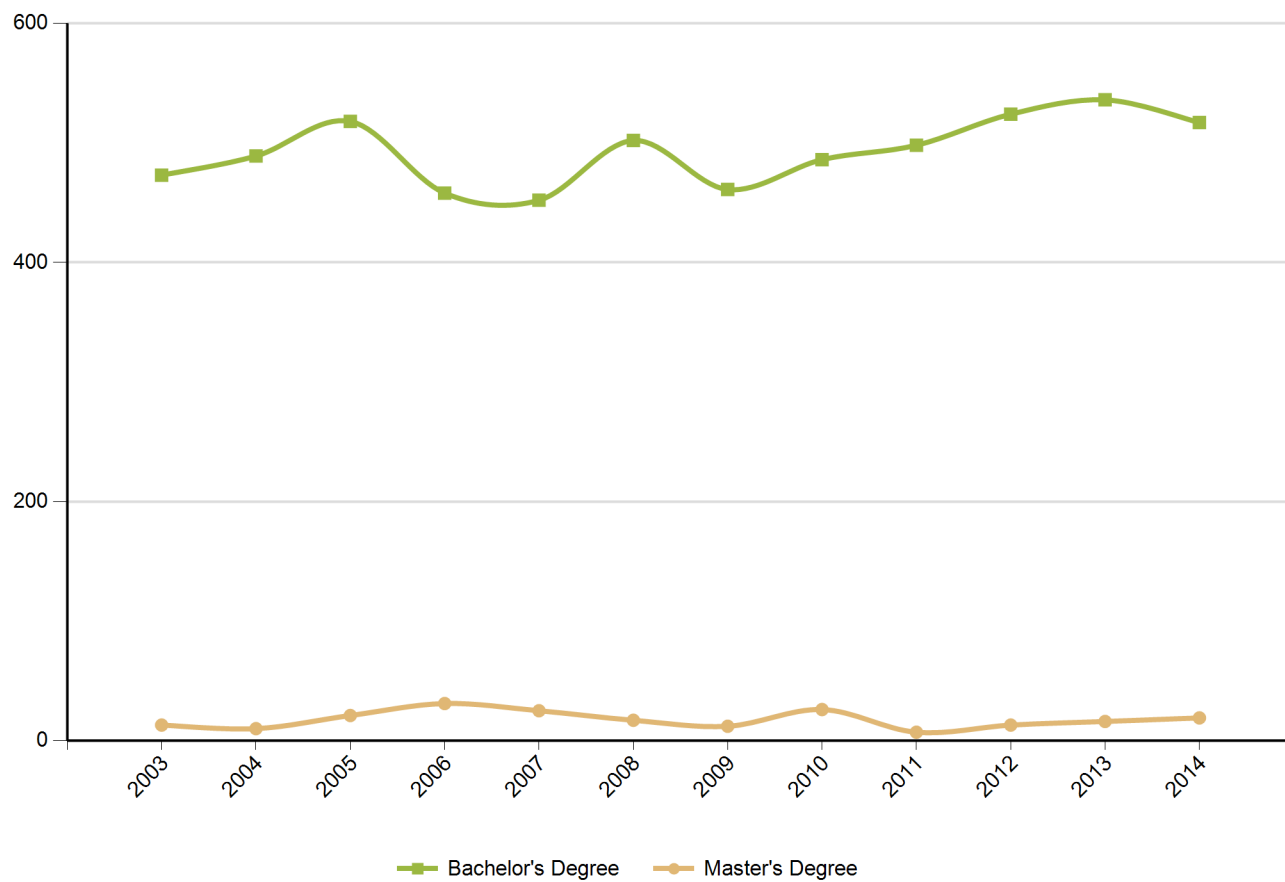
Educational Attainment

(Population 25 Years and Older)



Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey - 2013 5-Year Estimates

Graduate Trends



Source: Institute of Education Sciences (IES), Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System

Educational Institutions

Aiken School of Cosmetology
225 Richland Ave East
Aiken, SC 29801
803.644.7133
<http://www.aikenschoolofcosmetology.com>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 17

Aiken Technical College
2276 Jefferson Davis Highway
Graniteville, SC 29829
803.508.7263
<http://www.atc.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 703

Kenneth Shuler School of Cosmetology-North Augusta
1113 Knox Avenue
North Augusta, SC 29841
803.278.1200
<http://www.kennethshuler.com>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 36

University of South Carolina-Aiken
471 University Pkwy
Aiken, SC 29801
803.648.6851
<http://web.usca.edu>
2014 Degrees Awarded: 536

Source: Institute of Education Sciences (IES), Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System